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SUBJECT: SOVIET DESIGNATION OF MIRV/ MRV

1. CONSIDERATION OF THE MIRV ISSUE IS COMPLICATED SOMEWHAT BY FACT THAT TERM SOVIETS USE CAN MEAN BOTH MIRV AND MRV. THEIR TERM, AS SPECIFICALLY BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION BY SHCHUKIN IN MINI- PLENARY LAST DECEMBER 8, IS RGCH (RAZDELYAYUSHCHIE GOLOVNIYE CHASTI), WHICH MEANS LITERALLY " FRACTIONATING WARHEADS." SEMENOV USED THIS TERM IN HIS FORMAL STATEMENT MARCH 30 AND HAS USED IT CONSISTENTLY IN ALL PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS.

2. TO MAKE THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN MIRVS AND MRVS, OUR INTERPRETERS HAVE ADDED THE WORDS " INDIVIDUALLY TARGETED" TO THE SOVIET TERM WHEN REFERRING TO MIRVS. HOWEVER, THE SOVIETS HAVE NOT USED THIS FORMULATION.

3. FOR CONSISTENCY, WE ARE TRANSLATING SOVIET TERM " RGCH" AS MRV/ MIRV. JOHNSON

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